MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION UTILITY DIVISION CORRECTED AGENDA NO. 02-08-27

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For Work Week Commencing: August 26, 2002 Business Meeting: August 27, 2002, 9:00 a.m.

General Introduction This agenda is the Commission's Utility Division agenda for the work week designated. In the later part of each week (generally, Thursday by 2:00 p.m.) prior to the work week to which an agenda pertains, the agenda is posted on the public information bulletin board at the Commission offices, deposited in the mail directed to all persons who have properly requested notice by mail, emailed to all persons who have properly requested notice by email, and posted to the Public Service Commission's worldwide web site located at http://www.psc.state.mt.us.

<u>Place of Meetings</u> All meetings are held at the Commission offices, 1701 Prospect Avenue, Helena, Montana, unless otherwise noted.

<u>Inquiries</u> General inquiries concerning this Utility Division agenda and subscribing to notice by mail may be made to Steve Vick at (406) 444-6187. He may refer inquiries to another person within the agency.

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<u>Work Sessions</u> All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated.

- 1. D2000.5.70 Qwest 271 Application Obtain Commission Direction Regarding Whether or not to File Reply Comments with the FCC and Discuss any other 271-Related Matters that May Arise. (Monday, 8/26/02 9:00 a.m.)
- D2001.5.59 Energy Partners, LLC. Sale of 5 Valley's Gas –
 Discussion, Direction and Action on the Final Approval of the Sale of 5
 Valley's Gas (Seeley Lake) from Cenex to Energy Partners. (08/27/02)
- 3. D2002.8.99 Havre Pipeline Company Request to Decrease Rates At 8/13/2002's Business Meeting This was approved on a Final Basis. Staff Would Like to Commission to Reconsider that Decision and approve it on an Interim Basis to Allow Staff to Examine to the Underlying Cost Information before Approval on a Final Basis. (08/27/02)
- 4. D2002.6.71, D2002.6.72, D2002.6.73 Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative ETC Applications Discussion, Action on ETC Designation (08/27/02)

- 5. D2001.7.101 Business Savings Plan Complaint Discuss and Act on BSP Motion for Reconsideration. (08/27/02)
- 6. D2002.1.3 Mid-Rivers and Western Wireless Discuss and Act on Joint Request for Approval of Negotiated Interconnection Agreement. (08/27/02)
- 7. BDV 2002-397 (D2000.2.21) MPSC v. Qwest Discuss and Act on Qwest's Proposal to Settle MPSC Lawsuit Seeking Penalties for Violation of Statutes Prohibiting Promotional Offers Without Advance Approval of the Commission. (08/27/02)
- 8. FERC FERC NOPR on Standard Market Design Placeholder to Discuss Public Hearings and Possible Comments on NOPR to FERC. (08/27/02)

Weekly Scheduling Meeting – Will be held at 8:45 a.m. on the day of the Business Meeting

<u>Action Items</u> All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. NorthWestern Energy D2002.6.63 (Robin)

The Montana Consumer Counsel has petitioned for late intervention this docket. The Commission is in the very early stages of process on this docket. Staff recommends approval.

Notice Items All items identified below are noticed for public participation purposes. Unless otherwise stated in the text of the notice, the items will be action items on the next following agenda or a subsequent agenda and participation may be had by submitting written comments to the Public Service Commission, 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana, 59620-2601, within 5 calendar days following publication of this agenda. Public comments on a noticed matter may also be submitted within the required time through the PSC's web-based comment form at http://psc.state.mt.us/PublicComment/PublicComment.htm. Comments should reference the docket number of the matter.

1. <u>CITIZENS TELECOMMUNICATIONS N2002.8.104</u> (LEROY)

On August 15, 2002 Citizens Telecommunications Company of Montana filed Advice Letter No. MT-02-09 for approval of a special promotion. This promotion is a one time credit of \$50.00 for residential customers who order an additional line during the promotional period beginning September 15, 2002 and continuing through October 15, 2002. This promotion is offered only where technically available.

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

Tentative Action Items for Agenda 02-09-05

New Filings Received in Past Week

N2002.8.104 – Frontier – Citizens Telecommunications Cooperative of MT – Special Promo